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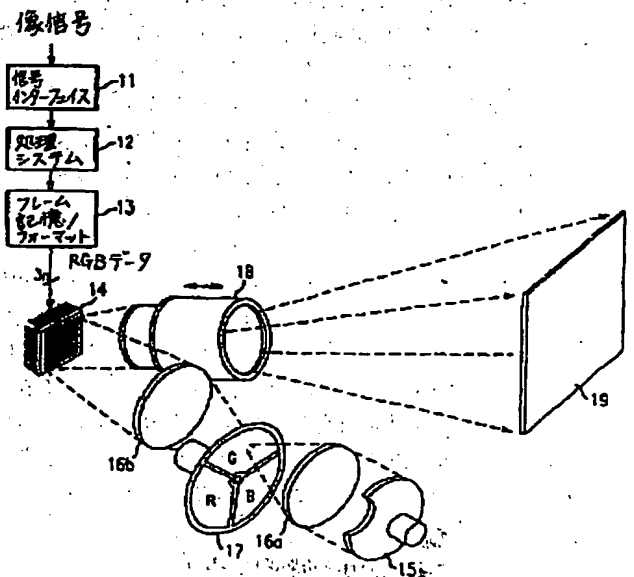
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(54)【発明の名称】 イメージディスプレイシステムにおけるアーチファクト低減方法

(57)【要約】

【課題】 SLMベースディスプレイシステム内のアーチファクト低減方法を得る。

【解決手段】 SLMベースディスプレイシステム10、20の像はパルス幅変調された強度レベルに対してビットウェイトによりディスプレイされるデータに基づいている。この方法はさまざまなカラーの像を同時にディスプレイするマルチSLMシステム20や各フレーム期間中にさまざまなカラーの像を逐次発生するシングルSLMシステム10に使用することができる。マルチSLMシステム20に対しては、本方法はメモリ多重化された、さまざまな時間にロードされディスプレイされる“リセットグループ”を有するSLM14に使用される。SLMの対応するローはさまざまなリセットグループと連関される。



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## 【特許請求の範囲】

【請求項1】 多数のメモリ多重化空間光変調器（SLM）を有し、各SLMが異なるカラーを表すピクセルデータに基づいた像をディスプレイし、像は像平面において結合されるイメージディスプレイシステムにおけるアーチファクト低減方法であって、該方法は、前記SLM内に対応するロー位置を有する前記SLMのローを識別して対応するSLMローを識別するステップと、各リセットグループが前記各SLMのいくつかのローからなりしかも対応するSLMローが同じリセットグループ内には無いようにリセットグループ内の前記各SLMのローを接続するステップと、前記ピクセルデータのあるビットウェイトを有するデータを第1のリセットグループへロードするステップと、前記リセットグループへロードされた前記データをディスプレイするステップと、前記リセットグループ間で交互に各リセットグループおよび前記ピクセルデータの各ビットウェイトについて前記ローディングステップおよび前記ディスプレイステップを繰り返すステップとからなるアーチファクト低減方法。

## 【発明の詳細な説明】

## 【0001】

【発明の属する技術分野】 本発明はイメージディスプレイシステムに関し、特に1個以上の空間光変調器を使用してカラーディスプレイを発生するディスプレイシステムにおけるアーチファクト低減方法に関する。

## 【0002】

【従来の技術】 空間光変調器（SLM：spatial light modulator）に基づいたイメージディスプレイシステムが陰極線管に基づいたイメージディスプレイシステムに代わるものとして次第に使用されつつある。イメージディスプレイ応用に使用されるSLMは像平面へ光を放出もしくは反射するピクセル発生素子アレイである。画素と識別して、ピクセル発生素子自体を“ピクセル”と呼ぶことが多い。1つの画素を発生するのにSLMアレイの2つ以上のピクセルを使用できることが判れば、この用語は前後関係から自明である。

【0003】 デジタルマイクロミラーデバイス（DMD：digital micro-mirror device）はSLMの1種である。DMDは数百乃至数千個の小さな傾斜ミラーのアレイを有している。傾斜できるようにするために、各ミラーは支柱に載置された1個以上のヒンジに取り付けられ、下層の制御回路から空隙により間隔がとられている。制御回路は静電力を与え、それにより各ミラーは選択的に傾斜する。各ミラー素子により1画素の強度が与えられる。

【0004】 所与の時間にどのピクセルをオンオフするかによって像が画定されるように、DMDのミラー素子を個別にアドレスすることができる。DMDのミラー素子をアドレスするために、各ミラー素子はアドレス信号のオンオフ状態を決定する少しのデータを記憶するメモ

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リセルと連絡されている。ミラー素子が像平面へ光を反射するか否かを示すハイもしくはロー信号により各ミラー素子がアドレスされる点でアドレッシングはバイナリである。ミラー素子のDMDアレイ周辺のデータローディング回路を介してメモリセル内に入力データを記憶することによりDMDは“ロード”される。

【0005】 ピクセルデータは空間“ビットプレーン（bit-plane）”フォーマットでDMDのメモリセルへ送られる。このフォーマットでは各フレームに対してデータはピクセル毎ではなく全ピクセルのビットウェイト（bit-weight）により配置される。このフォーマットでは1フレーム期間中に、各々がそのミラー素子のnビットピクセル値の異なるビットウェイトを表す、連続アドレス信号により各ミラー素子をアドレスすることによりグレースケール像を発生することができる。アドレッシングに使用されるビットのビットウェイトが上位であるほど、ミラー素子がオンのままとされる時間が長くなる。最も明るい強度に対しては、ミラー素子はアドレスされる度にオンとされる。これは本質的にパルス幅変調であり、多くのバリエーションが可能である。連続するフレームに対するデータによりDMDを再アドレスすることにより移動像を発生することができる。

【0006】 カラーイメージに対する1つの方法は、各原色（R、G、B）について1個ずつの、3個のDMDを使用することである。各DMDの対応するピクセルからの光は観察者が所望のカラーを知覚するように収束される。もう1つの方法は1個のDMDと原色区画を有するカラーホイール（color wheel）を使用することである。さまざまなカラーに対するデータがカラーホイールヘシーケンスされ同期化されて目の中でシーケンシャルな像が連続するカラー像へ統合されるようにされる。第3の方法では2個のDMDが使用され、一方は2色間の切り替えに使用され、他方は第3色を表示するのに使用される。

## 【0007】

【発明が解決しようとする課題】 どんなディスプレイシステムでもそうであるが、DMDベースディスプレイシステムからの像の品質はアーチファクトを解消することにより改善される。潜在的なアーチファクトには観察者がまばたきしたり、目を動かしたり、目の前で手を振ったりした時にフラッシュや筋として現れる一時的な輪郭線が含まれる。もう1つのアーチファクトは動き輪郭線であり、それは移動物体を目で追っている時に疑似輪郭線として現れる。疑似輪郭線は急峻なエッジにおけるゴースト像もしくは緩やかに変化する領域におけるアーチファクト輪郭線である。メモリ多重化として知られるデータローディング法を使用するDMDディスプレイシステムに特有な他種のアーチファクトもある。

## 【0008】

【課題を解決するための手段】 本発明の1つの特徴は多

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数のメモリ多重化空間光変調器 (SLM) を有するイメージディスプレイシステム内のアーチファクト低減方法である。この種のシステムでは、各SLMは異なるカラーを表すデータに基づいた像を同時にディスプレイし、像は像平面において結合される。SLMは“対応する”SLMロー (raw) を有し、それは対応するロー位置を有するローである。メモリ多重化のために、SLMのローはリセットグループ内で接続されている。各リセットグループは各SLMのいくつかのローからなり、対応するSLMローは同じリセットグループ内には無い。SLMヘデータをローディングする間に、第1のリセットグループにはピクセルデータの、あるビットウェイトを有するデータがロードされる。このデータは、次のリセットグループにピクセルデータの、あるビットウェイトを有するデータがロードされる間に、ディスプレイされる。これらのローディングおよびディスプレイステップは各リセットグループおよびピクセルデータの各ビットウェイトに対して繰り返される。

【0009】本発明の利点はリセットグループが対応するSLMローを含んでいないため、スプリットリセット構成の周期性によるアーチファクトが低減されることである。例えば、スプリットリセット構成が水平であれば、水平線構造を知覚する傾向が少なくなる。

【0010】本発明は1個のSLMを使用してカラーホイールを介したさまざまなカラーの像を逐次表示するシングルSLMシステムにも有用である。この場合、1組のSLMローしかない。1つのカラーに対するリセットグループは別のカラーに対するリセットグループとは異なるローを有している。

【0011】

【発明の実施の形態】図1および図2は、それぞれ、SLMに基づくカラーディスプレイシステム10および20のブロック図である。システム10はカラーホイールを介したさまざまなカラーの像を逐次ディスプレイする1個のSLMを使用している。システム20は3個のSLMを使用し、その各々が像の異なるカラーに対するデータを同時にディスプレイする。後記するように、カラーディスプレイがシステム10のように逐次与えられるかシステム20のように同時に与えられるかに拘わらず、各システムは多数のデータチャネルを有し、各チャネルが異なるカラー用とされている。一般的に、本発明はさまざまなチャネルのデータのタイミングを変えてディスプレイされる像内のアーチファクトを低減するものである。

【0012】例えば、システム10のSLM14およびシステム20のSLM14はDMD型SLMである。後記するように、本発明ではメモリ多重化SLMが使用される。SLMがDMDである場合には、リセットされる。まだオンもしくはオフ位置に設定されたままとされる傾斜ミラーのラッチング特性によりこのメモリ多重化が可

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能とされる。この特性により、1組のミラー素子が既に設定されている時にもう1組のミラー素子を関連するメモリセルへロードすることができる。これによりミラー素子はメモリセルを共有することができる。

【0013】システム10やシステム20が受信するイメージ信号はデジタル信号もしくは後にデジタル形式に変換されるアナログ信号とすることができる。例えば、入信号は放送されたテレビジョン信号のようなアナログ信号と考えることができる。

【0014】図1および図2には、主画面処理にとって重要な構成要素しか示されていない。同期化およびオーディオ信号の処理やクロズドキャプション (closed captioning) 等の機能に使用される他の構成要素は示されていない。

【0015】システム10およびシステム20は“フロントエンド”構成要素と同じような構成を有し、DMD14へデジタル像データを与えるための、信号インターフェイス11、処理システム12、およびフレームメモリ13、を含む。これらの構成要素についてはシステム10およびシステム20に対して共通に検討し、DMD14および2つのシステムの関連する光学系については別々に検討する。システム10およびシステム20を共通に検討する場合には、DMDはシステム10の1個のDMDもしくはシステム20の多数のDMD14を表す。

【0016】信号インターフェイス11はアナログ入力信号を受信し、ビデオ信号、同期信号、およびオーディオ信号に分離する。信号インターフェイス11は、それぞれ、信号をピクセルデータへ変換しクロミナンスデータから輝度データを分離する、A/Dコンバータおよびカラーセパレータを含んでいる。別の実施例では、カラー分離はA/D変換を行う前にアナログフィルタを使用して行われる。

【0017】プロセッサシステム12はさまざまなピクセル処理タスクを実施することによりディスプレイするピクセルデータを準備する。プロセッサシステム12は処理中にピクセルデータを格納する、フィールドおよびラインバッファ等の、さまざまなメモリデバイスを含んでいる。

【0018】プロセッサシステム12により代表的に実施される1つのタスクはインターレースされたデータの前進走査変換であり、インターレースされたデータの各フィールドが完全なフレームへ変換される。他の処理タスクはスケーリング、色空間変換、もしくはガンマ補正である。色空間変換中に、輝度およびクロミナンスデータはRGBデータへ変換される。DMD14の線形特性によりガンマ補償は不要となるためガンマ補正によりガンマ補償されたデータは逆補償される。

【0019】実施例では、プロセッサシステム12は前進走査変換およびスケーリング等の計算処理タスクを実

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施する“走査線ビデオプロセッサ”を含んでいる。このデバイスはテキサスインスツルメンツ社から市販されており、ピクセルデータのラインバイライン処理を行うことができる。

【0020】フレームメモリ13はプロセッサシステム12から処理されたピクセルデータを受信する。フレームメモリ13は、入力もしくは出力において、データを“ビットプレーン”フォーマットへ変換し、ビットプレーンデータをDMDへ送る。従来の技術で検討したように、ビットプレーンフォーマットはピクセルデータがビットウェイトにより再構成されるフォーマットである。これによりDMD14の各ピクセルはある時間の1ビットデータの値に応答してオンオフすることができる。

【0021】代表的なディスプレイシステム10では、フレームメモリ13は“ダブルバッファ”メモリであり、少なくとも2つのディスプレイフレームに対する容量を有することを意味する。一方のディスプレイフレームに対するバッファへ書き込んでいる間に他方のディスプレイフレームに対するバッファをDMD14へ読み出すことができる。2個のバッファは“ピンポン”式に制御してDMD14は連続的にデータを得ることができる。

【0022】従来の技術で前記したように、DMD14は各ミラー素子のオンオフ状態を有する2進デバイスである。データの各ビットに対するビットプレーンはパルス幅変調シーケンスによりロードされディスプレイされる。nビットピクセルデータに対しては、フレーム期間当たりnビットプレーンがある。フレーム期間中に、観察者は2進データを統合してそのフレームの像のさまざまな強度を知覚する。

【0023】次に図1およびシステム10を参照して、DMD14へのRGBデータの各フレーム毎に1つのカラーが与えられ、データの各フレームがレッド、ブルー、およびグリーンのデータセグメントへ分割されるようにされる。各セグメントのディスプレイ時間はフレーム毎に1回転するカラーホイール17に同期化され、DMD14が適切な時間にカラーホイール17を介した1つのカラーに対するデータを表示するようにされる。したがって、各カラー(R、GおよびB)に対するデータチャネルは各フレームがさまざまなカラーに対するシーケンシャルデータを有するように時間多重化される。

【0024】シーケンシャルカラーシステム10に対して、光源15から集光レンズ16aを介して白色光が送られ、それは回転するカラーホイール17上の一点へ収束される。第2のレンズ16bによりカラー光線はDMDのミラーアレイのサイズへ適合される。DMDからの反射光により画面19上に像が投影される。投影レンズ18はさまざまな画面サイズに調整される。

【0025】図2およびシステム20を参照して、R、

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GおよびBデータについて1つずつの3つの異なるデータパスに沿って3個のDMD14へデータが与えられる。光源16から集光レンズ26aを介して白色光が送られ、それはカラーフィルタ27を介して収束される。各カラーフィルタ26は異なるカラーの光(R、GおよびB)をDMD14へ与え、そのカラーに対するデータがディスプレイされる。フィルタ26bによりDMD14からの像が再結合されて投影レンズ18上へ収束され、画面19へ像が収束される。システム20の1つのバリエーションでは1個の大型DMDが各カラーに対する領域を有している。

【0026】システム10およびシステム20のようなシーケンシャルカラーおよびマルチDMDシステムの両方に対する包括的な説明がテキサスインスツルメンツ社が譲り受けたいいくつかの特許および特許出願に記載されている。それには米国特許第5,079,544号“標準独立デジタル化ビデオシステム”、米国特許第5,233,385号“白色光強化カラーフィールドシーケンシャル投影”、米国特許出願第07/678,761号“パルス幅変調ディスプレイシステムに使用するDMDアーキテクチャおよびタイミング”、米国特許出願第08/147,249号“デジタルテレビジョンシステム”、および米国特許出願第08/146,385号“DMDディスプレイシステム”が含まれる。これらの各特許および特許出願がここに組み入れられている。

【0027】本発明の特徴はビットプレーンディスプレイにより遷移エネルギー変化が生じることを認識することである。ビットプレーンディスプレイでは、特別なデータシーケンスによりピクセルの各ビットウェイトについてディスプレイ時間の順序、すなわちディスプレイ時間のセグメント、が指定される。単純な例として、8ビットピクセルデータに対するシーケンスは7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0とすることができ、各ビットウェイトに対するディスプレイ時間はフレーム中に順次短くなる。1つのビットレベルからもう1つのビットレベルへの遷移毎に遷移エネルギーが関連している。高い遷移エネルギーはアーチファクトとして知覚することができる。

【0028】ピークエネルギーレベルを低減する1つの方法はビットウェイトを“分割”して各高いビットウェイトに対するディスプレイ時間が連続的ではなくフレーム期間中にセグメント化されるようにすることである。例えば、最上位ビットに対するディスプレイ時間は2つの部分へ分割することができる。次に、最上位ビット(MSB)に対するデータがフレーム期間中に2度ディスプレイされ、その各オン時間は総MSB時間の半分である。

【0029】図3に前記したビット分割方法の替わりとしてもしくはそれを補足するために使用することができるディスプレイシーケンス方法を示す。この方法ではアーチファクトを低減するように遷移エネルギーが分散され

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【0030】図3の例では、この方法はシステム20等のマルチSLMシステムに実施される。各DMD14はレッド、グリーン、もしくはブルーデータを受信し、したがって各々がDMD14-R、14-G、もしくは14-Bとして示されている。

【0031】図3のDMD14は各々がメモリ多重化されている。前記したように、これは多数のミラー素子に同じメモセルからデータがロードされることを意味する。メモセルを共有する各ミラー素子が異なるリセット線に接続されている。全体DMDに対して、メモセル当たりミラー素子と同数のリセット線がある。特定のリセット線に接続されたミラー素子は“リセットグループ”である。動作について、ミラー素子のリセットグループに対する全メモセルにデータがロードされた後で、これらのミラー素子の状態はそのリセット線上のリセット信号に応答して変化する。メモリの多重化とそれに伴う“スプリット-リセット”データローディング方式についてはテキサスインスツルメンツ社が譲り受け参照としてここに組み入れられている米国特許出願第08/300/356号“空間光変調器用ピクセル制御回路”に記載されている。

【0032】ここに記載する例では、メモリ多重化はロー(raw) (水平の) によるものであり1つのメモセルからのミラー素子のファンアウトは4である。したがって、ミラー素子の連続する4ロー毎に1ローのメモセルが共有される。メモセルを共有する4ローのミラー素子は1“ブロック”のミラー素子である。480ローのミラー素子を有するDMD14は120のブロック41を有する。各ブロック41は4ローを有し、それらはメモセルの同じローからデータを受信する。

【0033】代表的なメモリ多重化構成と同様に、各ローは4本のリセット線の1本に接続されている。図4には、1本のリセット線42しか示されていないが4本のリセット線がある。リセット線42は3個のDMD14の全ブロックの第1ローを含むリセットグループに接続される。したがって、リセットグループは全DMD14のロー数の1/4を含んでいる。

【0034】リセットグループへのデータは1タイムスライス中にロードされる。次のリセットグループへのデータがロードされている間に、第1のリセットグループのミラー素子はリセット信号に応答してオンオフされる。

【0035】より詳細には、フレームのデータローディング中に、同じブロックロー番号を有するローからなるリセットグループがフレーム期間のタイムスライス中にビットウェイトによりロードされる。“タイムスライス”はフレーム期間の一部であり、最下位ビットに対するディスプレイ期間である場合が多い。タイムスライスは短すぎて余分なタイムスライスが許されない場合もあ

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るが、一般的には、最下位ビットの持続時間により決定される。

【0036】1フレームのデータをローディングしてメモリ多重化システム20上へディスプレイする1例として、第1のリセットグループのビットnがロードされ、次に第2のリセットグループのビットnがロードされ、次に第3のリセットグループのビットnがロードされ、次に第4のリセットグループのビットnがロードされる。次に、第1のリセットグループのビットn-1がロードされ、次に第2のリセットグループのビットn-1がロードされ、以下全リセットグループの全ビットウェイトがロードされるまで続けられる。各リセットグループ/ビットウェイトに対するデータがロードされると、前のリセットグループ/ビットウェイトデータがディスプレイされる。この例では、ビットウェイトは各リセットグループに対して同じ順序に従うが、これは要求されているわけではない。事実、リセットグループの中では、さまざまなビットウェイトシーケンスが有利である。このようにして、各フレーム期間中に、全DMDローがそれらのリセットグループを介して、またそのフレームに対するデータの全ビットウェイトがロードされてディスプレイされる。

【0037】システム20等のメモリ多重化ディスプレイシステムに対しては、画像品質を最適化する特殊なローディングおよびディスプレイパターンが開発されている。図3の例では、次のようなパターンとすることができ

リセットグループ1、ビットウェイトシーケンスa  
リセットグループ2、ビットウェイトシーケンスb  
リセットグループ3、ビットウェイトシーケンスc  
リセットグループ4、ビットウェイトシーケンスd  
前記したように、ローディングおよびディスプレイング中に、各シーケンスのビットウェイトはリセットグループ間で変更される。

【0038】図3のDMD14が“対応する”ローを有しており、各DMD14の第nローが各DMD14についてその同じ位置にある。したがって、“1”とマークされた各DMD14の第1のDMDローがディスプレイされるデータの第1ローを受信する。これら3つのローは対応するローである。同様に、480ロー像に対する、各DMD14の第480番ローはディスプレイされるデータの最終ローを受信する。これらの3つの第480番ローは対応するローである。

【0039】図からお判りのように、DMD14のDMDローとそのブロックロー間の連関はDMD14間で垂直にオフセットされている。すなわち、DMD14の所与の1組の対応するローに対して、各DMDローは異なるブロックローと連関されている。例えば、DMD14-Rの第1のローはブロック41-R(1)の第1のローと連関されている。しかしながら、DMD14-Gの

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第1のローはブロック41-G(1)の第4ローに対応している。DMD14-Bの第1のローはブロック41-B(1)の第3ローに対応している。

【0040】前記したことと一貫して、第1のリセットグループに対しては、連関するDMDローはDMD14-Rの1, 5, 9, . . . 477ロー、DMD14-Gの2, 6, 10, . . . 478ロー、およびDMD14-Bの3, 7, 11, . . . 479ローである。各リセットパターンは同様なパターンで接続されており、DMDローは対応するDMDローが同じリセットグループ内には無いように接続されている。

【0041】前記したように、ディスプレイはミラー素子のリセットグループをローディングしかつリセットすることにより発生される。特定のリセットグループがディスプレイされると、連関するDMDローは対応しない。例えば、リセット線42に接続されたリセットグループがディスプレイされる場合、ディスプレイされるDMDローはDMD14-Rの1, 5, 9, . . . 477ロー、DMD14-Gの2, 6, 10, . . . 478ロー、およびDMD14-Bの3, 7, 11, . . . 479ローである。

【0042】対応するDMDローとリセットグループ間の連関が非均一であるため、各カラーに対するデータは同じパターンに従うことができる。しかしながら、各カラーに対する遷移時間が異なるため遷移ピークが低減される。

【0043】対応するDMDローを異なるリセットグループと連関させる前記方法は水平メモリ多重化DMD14に向けられたものであるが、同じ概念を他のメモリ多重化構成に応用することができる。例えば、メモリ多重化は対角とすることができる。水平メモリ多重化の場合のように、各メモリセルのファンアウトは1組の垂直に連続するミラー素子である。しかしながら、ブロックローは対角線に沿っており、ブロックロー $n$ に対するデータはDMDロー1のピクセル1、DMDロー2のピクセル4、DMDロー3のピクセル3、およびDMDロー4のピクセル2等に対するデータを含むことがある。 $n$ ローを有するDMDに対しては、 $2n-1$ のブロックローがある。対角メモリ多重化についてはここに組み入れられている米国特許出願第08/300,356号に詳細に記載されている。

【0044】図4は本発明に従って対角分割リセットを行うように構成された3個のSLMの $8 \times 8$ ピクセル部を示す。異なるリセットグループに対して1本ずつの4本のリセット線42がある。SLM14の対応する4組の対角ローが示されている。各DMD14の対応する対角ローはさまざまなリセットグループと連関されている。

【0045】同じ概念が2個のDMDしかないシステムに応用される。さらに、システム10等のシングルDM

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Dシステムに対しては、DMDローとリセットグループ間の対応はカラー毎にシフトさせて図3の方法のシーケンシャルバージョンを実現することができる。各カラーに対して、リセットグループを再構成してさまざまなSLMローを含む用にすることができる。目の積分(eye's integration)はフレーム期間内のエネルギーの積分に基づいているため、フレーム期間内でエネルギーレベルを適切に分散させることによりアーチファクトを低減することができる。

【0046】特定の実施例について本発明を説明してきたが、本明細書は制約的意味合いを有するものではない。当業者であれば他の実施例だけでなく開示された実施例のさまざまな改良が容易にお判りと思われる。したがって、発明の真の範囲内に入る改良は全て特許請求の範囲に入るものとする。

【0047】以上の説明に関して更に以下の項を開示する。

(1). 多数のメモリ多重化空間光変調器(SLM)を有し、各SLMが異なるカラーを表すピクセルデータに基づいた像をディスプレイし、像は像平面において結合されるイメージディスプレイシステムにおけるアーチファクト低減方法であって、該方法は、前記SLM内に対応するロー位置を有する前記SLMのローを識別して対応するSLMローを識別するステップと、各リセットグループが前記各SLMのいくつかのローからなりしかも対応するSLMローが同じリセットグループ内には無いようにリセットグループ内で前記各SLMのローを接続するステップと、前記ピクセルデータの、あるビットウェイトを有するデータを第1のリセットグループへロードするステップと、前記第1のリセットグループへロードされた前記データをディスプレイするステップと、前記リセットグループ間で交互に各リセットグループおよび前記ピクセルデータの各ビットウェイトについて前記ローディングステップおよび前記ディスプレイステップを繰り返すステップとからなるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0048】(2). 第1項記載の方法であって、前記対応するローの各ローが異なるリセットグループ内にあるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0049】(3). 第1項記載の方法であって、前記繰り返しステップは前記ビットウェイトがさまざまなリセットグループに対してさまざまな順序でロードされるように実施されるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0050】(4). 第1項記載の方法であって、前記ローディングステップおよび前記ディスプレイステップはフレーム期間の2つの連続するタイムスライス内で実施され、前記タイムスライスは実質的に最下位ビットウェイトを有するデータに対するディスプレイ時間により決定されるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0051】(5). 第1項記載の方法であって、前記

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SLMディスプレイデータの1つは2つのカラーに対するものであり前記SLMデータの1つは第3のカラーに対するものであるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0052】(6)．第1項記載の方法であって、前記各SLMディスプレイデータが異なるカラーに対するものであるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0053】(7)．第1項記載の方法であって、前記SLMはデジタルマイクロミラーデバイスであるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0054】(8)．第1項記載の方法であって、前記対応するローは前記SLMの水平ローに沿っておりリセットグループは前記水平ローを含むアーチファクト低減方法。

【0055】(9)．第1項記載の方法であって、前記対応するローは前記SLMの対角ローに沿っており前記リセットグループは前記対角ローを含むアーチファクト低減方法。

【0056】(10)．メモリ多重化空間光変調器(SLM)を有し、カラーフォイルを介し、異なるカラーを表すピクセルデータに基づいた像を逐次ディスプレイする、イメージディスプレイシステムにおけるアーチファクト低減方法であって、該方法は、各リセットグループが前記SLMのいくつかのローからなるようにリセットグループへ前記SLMのローを割り当てるステップと、前記ピクセルデータの、あるビットウェイトを有するデータを第1のリセットグループへロードするステップと、前記第1のリセットグループへロードされた前記データをディスプレイするステップと、前記リセットグループ間で交互に各リセットグループおよび第1のカラーの前記ピクセルデータの各ビットウェイトについて前記ローディングステップおよび前記ディスプレイステップを繰り返すステップと、前記リセットグループが前記SLMのさまざまなローを含むように第2のカラーの前記ピクセルデータについて前記割り当て、ローディング、およびディスプレイステップを繰り返すステップとからなるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0057】(11)．第10項記載の方法であって、前記繰り返しステップは前記ビットウェイトがさまざまなリセットグループに対してさまざまな順序でロードされるように実施されるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0058】(12)．第10項記載の方法であって、前記ローディングステップおよび前記ディスプレイステップはフレーム期間の2つの連続するタイムスライス内で実施され、前記タイムスライスは実質的に最下位ビットウェイトを有するデータに対するディスプレイ時間により決定されるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0059】(13)．第10項記載の方法であって、

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前記リセットグループは前記SLMの対角ローを含むアーチファクト低減方法。

【0060】(14)．第10項記載の方法であって、前記リセットグループは前記SLMの水平ローを含むアーチファクト低減方法。

【0061】(15)．第10項記載の方法であって、前記SLMはデジタルマイクロミラーデバイスであるアーチファクト低減方法。

【0062】(16)．SLMに基づいたディスプレイシステム10、20内のアーチファクト低減方法であって、その像はパルス幅変調された強度レベルに対してビットウェイトによりディスプレイされるデータに基づいている。この方法はさまざまなカラーの像を同時にディスプレイするマルチSLMシステム20や各フレーム期間中にさまざまなカラーの像を逐次発生するシングルSLMシステム10に使用することができる。マルチSLMシステム20に対しては、本方法はメモリ多重化された、さまざまな時間にロードされディスプレイされる“リセットグループ”を有するSLM14に使用される。SLMの対応するローはさまざまなリセットグループと連関付けられている。

【図面の簡単な説明】

【図1】1個のSLMおよびカラーフォイルを使用してカラー像を与えるSLMベースディスプレイシステムのブロック図。

【図2】多数のSLMを使用してカラー像を与えるSLMに基づくディスプレイシステムのブロック図。

【図3】水平メモリ多重化SLMを有する、図2のシステム内のアーチファクトを低減する方法を示す図。

【図4】対角にメモリ多重化されるSLMに対する方法を示す図。

【符号の説明】

10、20 SLMに基づくカラーディスプレイシステム

11 信号インターフェイス

12 処理システム

13 フレームメモリ

14、14R、14-B、14-G デジタルミラーデバイス

15 光源

16a、16b レンズ

17 カラーフォイル

18 投影レンズ

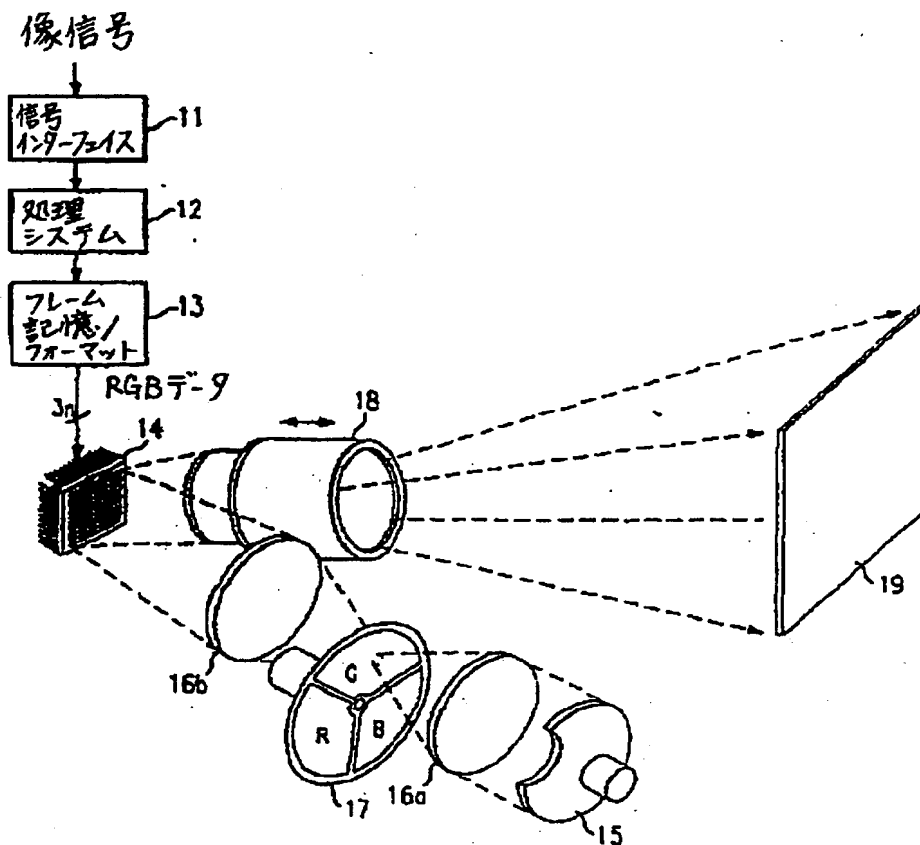
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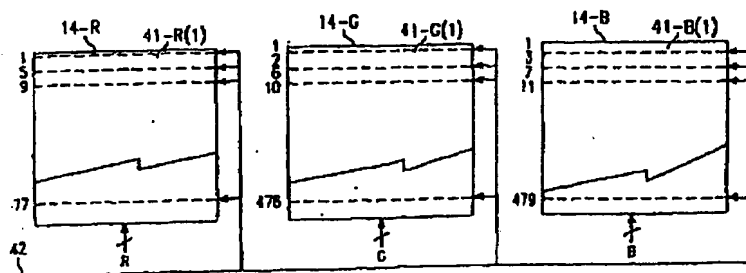
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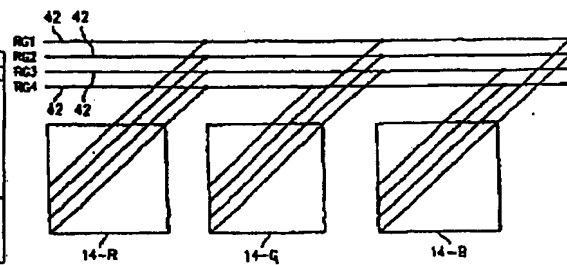
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【図3】



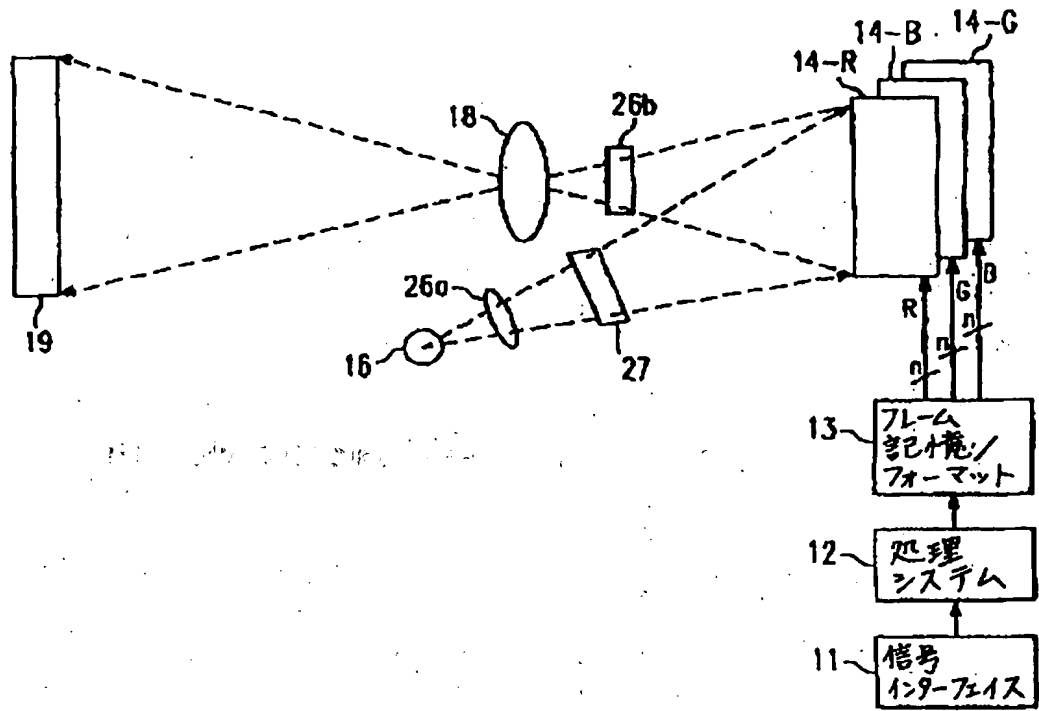
【図4】





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【図2】



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**DETAILED DESCRIPTION**

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**[Detailed Description of the Invention]****[0001]**

**[Field of the Invention]** This invention relates to the artifact reduction approach in the display system which generates a color display especially using one or more space optical modulators about an image display system.

**[0002]**

**[Description of the Prior Art]** It is gradually used as what the image display system based on a space optical modulator (SLM:spatial light modulator) replaces with the image display system based on a cathode-ray tube. SLM used for image display application is a pixel generating component array which emits or reflects light in an image plane. It discriminates from a pixel and the pixel generating component itself is called a "pixel" in many cases. If it turns out that two or more pixels of a SLM array can be used for generating one pixel, this vocabulary is obvious from a context.

**[0003]** A digital micro mirror device (DMD:digital micro-mirror device) is one sort of SLM. DMD has the array of hundreds thru/or thousands of small inclination mirrors. Since it enables it to incline, each mirror is attached in one or more hinges laid in the stanchion, and spacing is taken by the opening from the lower layer control circuit. A control circuit gives electrostatic force and, thereby, each mirror inclines alternatively. The reinforcement of 1 pixel is given by each mirror component.

**[0004]** The address of the mirror component of DMD can be carried out according to an individual so that an image may be demarcated by which pixel is turned on and off to given time amount. In order to carry out the address of the mirror component of DMD, each mirror component is connected with the memory cell which memorizes a little data which determine the on-off condition of an address signal. Addressing is binary at the point that the address of each mirror component is carried out by the yes or low signal which shows whether a mirror component reflects light in an image plane. DMD "is loaded" by memorizing input data in a memory cell through the data loading circuit of the DMD array circumference of a mirror component.

**[0005]** Pixel data are sent to the memory cell of DMD in a space "bit plane (bit-plane)" format. In this format, data are arranged by the bit wait (bit-weight) of every pixel and all pixels to each frame. In this format, a gray scale image can be generated by carrying out the address of each mirror component during an one-frame period with the consecutive-addresses signal with which each expresses the bit wait from which the n bit pixel value of that mirror component differs. The time amount it is supposed that a mirror component continues being ON becomes long, so that the bit wait of the bit used for addressing is a high order. To the brightest reinforcement, whenever the address of the mirror component is carried out, it is set to ON. This is essentially pulse width modulation and many variations are possible for it. A migration image can be generated by carrying out the re-address of the DMD with the data to a continuous frame.

**[0006]** One approach for a color image is using three DMD(s) per piece about each primary color (R, G, B). It converges the light from each pixel to which DMD corresponds so that an observer may perceive a desired color. Another approach is using the color wheel (color wheel) which has

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For example, SLM14 of a system 10 and SLM14 of a system 20 are the DMD molds SLM. In this invention, the memory multiplexing SLM is used so that a postscript may be carried out. When SLM is DMD, this memory multiplexing is enabled by the latching property of the inclination mirror it is supposed that is set as ON or an off position until it is reset. With this property, when 1 set of mirror components are already set up, 1 more set of mirror components can be loaded to a related memory cell. Thereby, a mirror component can share a memory cell. [0013]

The image signal which a system 10 and a system 20 receive can be made into the analog signal changed into a digital format in a digital signal or the back. For example, a conversion number can be considered to be an analog signal like the broadcast television signal. [0014]

Only the component important for the main screen processing is shown in drawing 1 and drawing 2. Other components used for functions, such as synchronization and processing of an



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[0015] A system 10 and a system 20 have the same configuration as a "front end" component, and contain the signal interface 11, the processing system 12, and frame memory 13 for giving digital image data to DMD14. These components are examined in common to a system 10 and a system 20, and the optical system to which DMD14 and two systems relate is examined separately. In examining a system 10 and a system 20 in common, DMD expresses much DMD14 of one DMD of a system 10, or a system 20.

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[0019] In the example, the processor system 12 contains the "scanning-line video processor" which carries out computation tasks, such as advance scan conversion and a scaling. This device is marketed from Texas Instruments, Inc., and can perform line BAIRAIN processing of pixel data.

[0020] A frame memory 13 receives the pixel data processed from the processor system 12. In an input or an output, a frame memory 13 changes data into a "bit plane" format, and sends bit plane data to DMD. As the Prior art examined, a bit plane format is a format pixel data are reconfigured by whose bit wait. Thereby, each pixel of DMD14 can answer the value of 1 bit data of a certain time amount, and can be turned on and off.

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[0022] As described above by the Prior art, DMD14 is a binary device which has the on-off condition of each mirror component. The bit plane to each bit of data is loaded by the pulse-width-modulation sequence, and is displayed. To n-bit pixel data, there is an n bit plane per frame period. During a frame period, an observer unifies binary data and perceives various reinforcement of the image of the frame.

[0023] Next, one color is given at a stretch to each frame of the RGB data to DMD14, and it is made to be divided in each frame of data with reference to drawing 1 and a system 10 to red, blue, and the data segment of Green. The display time amount of each segment is synchronized by color FOIRU 17 which rotates one time for every frame, and it is made to have data to one color to which DMD14 minded [ suitable ] color FOIRU 17 displayed. Therefore, time-multiplexing of the data channel to each color (R, G, and B) is carried out so that it may have sequential data to a color with each various frames.

[0024] To the sequential color system 10, the white light is sent through condenser lens 16a from the light source 15, and it converges it one on rotating color FOIRU 17. A color beam of light suits to the size of the mirror array of DMD by 2nd lens 16b. An image is projected on Screen 19 by the reflected light from DMD. The projection lens 18 is adjusted to various screen sizes.

[0025] With reference to drawing 2 and a system 20, data are given along with every one different data paths [ three ] to three DMD(s)14 about R, G, and B data. The white light is sent through condenser lens 26a from the light source 16, and it converges it through a color filter 27.

Each color filter 26 gives the light (R, G, and B) of a different color to DMD14, and the data to the color are displayed. The image from DMD14 is recombined by filter 26b, and it converges on the projection lens 18, and converges an image to Screen 19. one variation of a system 20 — one piece — large-sized — DMD has the field to each color.

[0026] The comprehensive explanation to both a sequential color like a system 10 and a system 20 and a multi-DMD system is indicated by some patents and patent application which Texas Instruments, Inc. yielded and received. U.S. Pat. No. 5,079,544 "a standard independent digitization video system", U.S. Pat. No. 5,233,385 "white light strengthening color field sequential projection", the United States patent application 07th / No. 678,761 "the DMD architecture used for a pulse-width-modulation display system and timing", the United States patent application 08th / No. 147,249 "a digital television system", and the United States patent application 08th / No. 146,385 "a DMD display system" are contained in it. Such each patent and patent application are incorporated here.

[0027] The description of this invention is recognizing transition energy change arising on a bit plane display. On a bit plane display, segment \*\* of the sequence of display time amount, i.e., display time amount, is specified by the special data sequence about each bit wait of a pixel. display time amount [ as opposed to / as a simple example, can set the sequence over 8 bit pixel data to 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, and 0, and / each bit wait ] — the inside of a frame — one by one — short — \*\*\*\* — \*\* Transition energy is related for every transition from one bit level to another bit level. High transition energy can be perceived as artifact.

[0028] One method of reducing a peak energy level "divides" a bit wait, and it is the display time amount over each \*\*\*\* bit wait not being continuous, and making it segmented during a frame period. For example, the display time amount over the most significant bit can be divided to two parts. Next, the data to the most significant bit (MSB) are twice displayed during a frame period, and each of that ON time amount is the one half of the total MSB time amount.

[0029] The display sequence approach which can be used since it supplements with it as a substitute of the bit division approach described above to drawing 3 is shown. By this approach, transition energy is distributed so that the artifact may be reduced.

[0030] This approach is enforced by the multi-SLM system of system 20 grade in the example of drawing 3. Each DMD14 receives red, Green, or blue data, therefore each is shown as DMD14-R, 14-G, or 14-B.

[0031] As for DMD14 of drawing 3, memory multiplexing of each is carried out. As described above, this means that data are loaded from the same memory cell as many mirror components. It connects with the reset line by which each mirror components which share a memory cell differ. There is a reset line of a mirror component and the same number per memory cell to Whole DMD. The mirror component connected to the specific reset line is a "reset group." About actuation, after data are loaded to all the memory cells to the reset group of a mirror component, the condition of these mirror components answers and changes to the reset signal on the reset line. It is indicated by/[ of the United States patent application which Texas Instruments, Inc. yields about the "split-reset" data loading method accompanying multiplexing and it of memory, and is incorporated here as refer to the receptacle / 08th ] No. 300/356 "the pixel control circuit for space optical modulators."

[0032] In the example indicated here, memory multiplexing is based on a low (raw) (it is level), and the fan-out of the mirror component from one memory cell is 4. Therefore, the memory cell of 1 low is shared every 4 lows which a mirror component follows. The mirror component of 4 lows which shares a memory cell is a mirror component of 1 "a block." DMD14 which has the mirror component of 480 lows has the block 41 of 120. Each block 41 has 4 lows and they receive data from the low with the same memory cell.

[0033] Each low is connected to one of four reset lines like the typical memory multiplexing configuration. Although only one reset line 42 is shown, four reset lines are shown in drawing 4. The reset line 42 is connected to the reset group containing the 1st low of three whole blocks of DMD14. Therefore, the reset group contains one fourth of the low numbers of all DMD(s)14.

[0034] The data to a reset group are loaded in 1 time slice. While the data to the next reset group are loaded, the 1st reset group's mirror component answers a reset signal, and is turned

on and off.

[0035] The reset group who consists of a low which has the block low number more same during data loading of a frame in a detail is loaded by the bit wait in the time slice of a frame period. A "time slice" is a part of frame period, and is a display period over the least significant bit in many cases. Although a time slice is too short and an excessive time slice may not be allowed, generally it is determined by the persistence time of the least significant bit.

[0036] As one example which carries out loading of the data of one frame, and is displayed to up to the memory multiplexing system 20, the 1st reset group's bit  $n$  is loaded, then, the 2nd reset group's bit  $n$  is loaded, then the 3rd reset group's bit  $n$  is loaded, and then the 4th reset group's bit  $n$  is loaded. Next, it is continued until the 1st reset group's bit  $n-1$  is loaded, then the 2nd reset group's bit  $n-1$  is loaded and all all reset groups' bit waits are loaded below. Loading of the data to each reset group / bit wait displays front reset group / bit wait data. This example does not necessarily require this, although a bit wait follows the same sequence to each reset group. In fact, in a reset group, various bit wait sequences are advantageous. Thus, all the bit waits [ as opposed to the frame in all DMD lows ] of data are loaded and displayed through those reset groups during each frame period.

[0037] To the memory multiplexing display system of system 20 grade, special loading and the display pattern which optimize image quality are developed. In the example of drawing 3, it can consider as the following patterns.

the reset group 1, the bit wait sequence a reset group 2, the bit wait sequence b reset group 3, the bit wait sequence c reset group 4, and the bit wait sequence d — said — as carried out, the bit wait of each sequence is changed among reset groups into loading and De Dis playing.

[0038] DMD14 of drawing 3 has the "corresponding" low, and each  $n$ -th low of DMD14 is in the same location about each DMD14. Therefore, the 1st low of the data with which the "1" and 1st [ of each DMD14 ] DMD low which were marked is displayed is received. These three lows are corresponding lows. Similarly, each No. 480 low of DMD14 to 480 low images receives the last low of the data displayed. These three No. 480 lows are corresponding lows.

[0039] The association between the DMD lows and block lows of DMD14 is perpendicularly offset among DMD14-like understanding from drawing. That is, each DMD low is associated with a different block low to 1 set of given corresponding lows of DMD14. For example, the 1st low of DMD14-R is associated with the 1st low of block 41-R (1). However, the 1st low of DMD14-G supports the 4th low of block 41-G (1). The 1st low of DMD14-B supports the 3rd low of block 41-B (1).

[0040] the DMD low which a low and said thing: [ having carried out ] cohere and is associated to the 1st reset group — 1, 5, and 9 of DMD14-R ... 2, 6 and 10 of 477 lows and DMD14-G, and ... 3, 7 and 11 of 478 lows and DMD14-B, and ... they are 479 lows. Each reset pattern is connected by the same pattern, and the DMD low is connected so that there may be no corresponding DMD low into the same reset group.

[0041] As described above, a display is generated by carrying out loading of the reset group of a mirror component, and resetting him. If a specific reset group is displayed, the associated DMD low does not correspond. for example, the DMD low displayed when the reset group connected to the reset line 42 is displayed — 1, 5 and 9 of DMD14-R, and ... 2, 6 and 10 of 477 lows and DMD14-G, and ... 3, 7 and 11 of 478 lows and DMD14-B, and ... they are 479 lows.

[0042] Since association between a corresponding DMD low and a reset group is non-homogeneity, the data to each color can follow the same pattern. However, since the transition times over each color differ, a transition peak is reduced.

[0043] Although said method of making a corresponding DMD low associated with a different reset group is turned to the level memory multiplexing DMD14, the same concept is applicable to other memory multiplexing configurations. For example, memory multiplexing can be made into a vertical angle. The fan-out of each memory cell is a mirror component which follows 1 set of perpendiculars like [ in level memory multiplexing ]; however, data [ as opposed to / the block low meets the diagonal line and / the block low  $n$  ] — a DMD low — the pixel 1 of 1, and a DMD low — the pixel 4 of 2, and a DMD low — the data to the pixel 3 of 3 and the pixel 2 grade of DMD low 4 may be included There is a block low of  $2n-1$  to DMD which has  $n$  low. Diagonal

memory multiplexing is indicated by the United States patent application 08th incorporated here / No. 300,356 at the detail.

[0044] Drawing 4 shows the 8x8-pixel section of three SLM(s) constituted so that diagonal division reset might be performed according to this invention. There is every four reset line 42 of a to a different reset group. 4 sets of diagonal lows to which SLM14 corresponds are shown. Each matched-pairs angle low of DMD14 is associated with various reset groups.

[0045] The same concept is applied to a system only with two DMD(s). Furthermore, to the single DMD system of system 10 grade, the correspondence between a DMD low and a reset group can be shifted for every color, and can realize the sequential version of the approach of drawing 3. It can be made the business which reconfigures a reset group and contains various SLM lows to each color. Since the integral (eye's integration) of an eye is based on the integral of the energy within a frame period, the artifact can be reduced by distributing an energy level appropriately within a frame period.

[0046] Although this invention has been explained about the specific example, this specification does not have constraint-implications. If it is this contractor, various amelioration of not only other examples but the indicated example will be considered to be understanding with it being easy. Therefore, all amelioration that enters within the limits of the truth of invention shall go into a claim.

[0047] The following terms are further indicated about the above explanation.

(1) Have the memory multiplexing space optical modulator (SLM) of . large number, and the image based on the pixel data showing each color from which SLM differs is displayed. An image is the artifact reduction approach in the image display system combined in an image plane. This approach The step which identifies the SLM low which identifies said low of SLM which has a low location [ / in said SLM ], and corresponds, each reset group — said every — there is no SLM low which consists of some lows of SLM and moreover corresponds into the same reset group — as — the inside of a reset group — said every — with the step which connects the low of SLM The step which loads the data which have a certain bit wait of said pixel data to the 1st reset group. The step which displays said data loaded to said 1st reset group, The artifact reduction approach which consists of a step which repeats said loading step and said display step by turns among said reset groups about each reset group and each bit wait of said pixel data.

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PRIOR ART

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[0004] The address of the mirror component of DMD can be carried out according to an individual so that an image may be demarcated by which pixel is turned on and off to given time amount. In order to carry out the address of the mirror component of DMD, each mirror component is connected with the memory cell which memorizes a little data which determine the on-off condition of an address signal. Addressing is binary at the point that the address of each mirror component is carried out by the yes or low signal which shows whether a mirror component reflects light in an image plane. DMD "is loaded" by memorizing input data in a memory cell through the data loading circuit of the DMD array circumference of a mirror component.

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[0011]

[Embodiment of the Invention] Drawing 1 and drawing 2 are the block diagrams of the color display systems 10 and 20 based on SLM, respectively. The system 10 is using one SLM which displays the image of various colors through a color wheel serially. A system 20 uses three SLM (s) and the each displays in coincidence the data to the color from which an image differs. Irrespective of whether a color display is serially given like a system 10, or it is given to coincidence like a system 20, each system has many data channels and is made into the colors from which each channel differs so that a postscript may be carried out. Generally, this invention reduces the artifact in the image displayed by changing the timing of the data of various channels.

[0012] For example, SLM14 of a system 10 and SLM14 of a system 20 are the DMD molds SLM. In this invention, the memory multiplexing SLM is used so that a postscript may be carried out. When SLM is DMD, this memory multiplexing is enabled by the latching property of the inclination mirror it is supposed that is set as ON or an off position until it is reset. With this property, when 1 set of mirror components are already set up, 1 more set of mirror components can be loaded to a related memory cell. Thereby, a mirror component can share a memory cell.

[0013] The image signal which a system 10 and a system 20 receive can be made into the analog signal changed into a digital format in a digital signal or the back. For example, a conversion number can be considered to be an analog signal like the broadcast television signal.

[0014] Only the component important for the main screen processing is shown in drawing 1 and drawing 2. Other components used for functions, such as synchronization and processing of an audio signal, and closed KYAPUSHONINGU (closed captioning), are not shown.

[0015] A system 10 and a system 20 have the same configuration as a "front end" component, and contain the signal interface 11, the processing system 12, and frame memory 13 for giving digital image data to DMD14. These components are examined in common to a system 10 and a system 20, and the optical system to which DMD14 and two systems relate is examined separately. In examining a system 10 and a system 20 in common, DMD expresses much DMD14 of one DMD of a system 10, or a system 20.

[0016] The signal interface 11 receives an analog input signal, and divides it into a video signal, a synchronizing signal, and an audio signal. The signal interface 11 contains the A/D converter and color separator which change a signal into pixel data and separate brightness data from chrominance data, respectively. In the another example, before color separation performs A/D conversion, it is performed using an analog filter.

[0017] The processor system 12 prepares the pixel data displayed by carrying out various pixel processing tasks. The processor system 12 contains various memory devices, such as the field, a line buffer, etc. which store pixel data during processing.

[0018] One task typically carried out by the processor system 12 is advance scan conversion of the interlaced data, and each field of the interlaced data is changed into a perfect frame. Other processing tasks are a scaling, a color space conversion, or a gamma correction. Brightness and chrominance data are changed into RGB data into a color space conversion. Since gamma compensation becomes unnecessary with the linearity property of DMD14, the data in which gamma compensation was carried out by the gamma correction are reverse-compensated.

[0019] In the example, the processor system 12 contains the "scanning-line video processor" which carries out computation tasks, such as advance scan conversion and a scaling. This device is marketed from Texas Instruments, Inc., and can perform line BAIRAIN processing of pixel data.

[0020] A frame memory 13 receives the pixel data processed from the processor system 12. In an input or an output, a frame memory 13 changes data into a "bit plane" format, and sends bit plane data to DMD. As the Prior art examined, a bit plane format is a format pixel data are reconfigured by whose bit wait. Thereby, each pixel of DMD14 can answer the value of 1 bit data of a certain time amount, and can be turned on and off.

[0021] With the typical display system 10, a frame memory 13 is "double buffer" memory, and it means having the capacity to at least two display frames. While writing in the buffer to one display frame, the buffer to the display frame of another side can be read to DMD14. Two buffers can be controlled at a "ping-pong" ceremony, and DMD14 can obtain data continuously.

[0022] As described above by the Prior art, DMD14 is a binary device which has the on-off condition of each mirror component. The bit plane to each bit of data is loaded by the pulse-width-modulation sequence, and is displayed. To n bit pixel data, there is an n bit plane per frame period. During a frame period, an observer unifies binary data and perceives various reinforcement of the image of the frame.

[0023] Next, one color is given at a stretch to each frame of the RGB data to DMD14, and it is made to be divided in each frame of data with reference to drawing 1 and a system 10 to red, blue, and the data segment of Green. The display time amount of each segment is synchronized by color FOIRU 17 which rotates one time for every frame, and it is made to have data to one color to which DMD14 minded [ suitable ] color FOIRU 17 displayed. Therefore, time-multiplexing of the data channel to each color (R, G, and B) is carried out so that it may have sequential data to a color with each various frames.

[0024] To the sequential color system 10, the white light is sent through condenser lens 16a from the light source 15, and it converges it one on rotating color FOIRU 17. A color beam of light suits to the size of the mirror array of DMD by 2nd lens 16b. An image is projected on Screen 19 by the reflected light from DMD. The projection lens 18 is adjusted to various screen sizes.

[0025] With reference to drawing 2 and a system 20, data are given along with every one different data paths [ three ] to three DMD(s)14 about R, G, and B data. The white light is sent through condenser lens 26a from the light source 16, and it converges it through a color filter 27. Each color filter 26 gives the light (R, G, and B) of a different color to DMD14, and the data to

the color are displayed. The image from DMD14 is recombined by filter 26b, and it converges on the projection lens 18, and converges an image to Screen 19. one variation of a system 20 — one piece — large-sized — DMD has the field to each color.

[0026] The comprehensive explanation to both a sequential color like a system 10 and a system 20 and a multi-DMD system is indicated by some patents and patent application which Texas Instruments, Inc. yielded and received. U.S. Pat. No. 5,079,544 "a standard independent digitization video system", U.S. Pat. No. 5,233,385 "white light strengthening color field sequential projection", the United States patent application 07th / No. 678,761 "the DMD architecture used for a pulse-width-modulation display system and timing", the United States patent application 08th / No. 147,249 "a digital television system", and the United States patent application 08th / No. 146,385 "a DMD display system" are contained in it. Such each patent and patent application are incorporated here.

[0027] The description of this invention is recognizing transition energy change arising on a bit plane display. On a bit plane display, segment \*\* of the sequence of display time amount, i.e., display time amount, is specified by the special data sequence about each bit wait of a pixel. display time amount [ as opposed to / as a simple example, can set the sequence over 8 bit pixel data to 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1, and 0, and / each bit wait ] — the inside of a frame — one by one — short — \*\*\*\* — \*\* Transition energy is related for every transition from one bit level to another bit level. High transition energy can be perceived as artifact.

[0028] One method of reducing a peak energy level "divides" a bit wait, and it is the display time amount over each \*\*\*\* bit wait not being continuous, and making it segmented during a frame period. For example, the display time amount over the most significant bit can be divided to two parts. Next, the data to the most significant bit (MSB) are twice displayed during a frame period, and each of that ON time amount is the one half of the total MSB time amount.

[0029] The display sequence approach which can be used since it supplements with it as a substitute of the bit division approach described above to drawing 3 is shown. By this approach, transition energy is distributed so that the artifact may be reduced.

[0030] This approach is enforced by the multi-SLM system of system 20 grade in the example of drawing 3. Each DMD14 receives red, Green, or blue data, therefore each is shown as DMD14-R, 14-G, or 14-B.

[0031] As for DMD14 of drawing 3, memory multiplexing of each is carried out. As described above, this means that data are loaded from the same memory cell as many mirror components. It connects with the reset line by which each mirror components which share a memory cell differ. There is a reset line of a mirror component and the same number per memory cell to Whole DMD. The mirror component connected to the specific reset line is a "reset group."

About actuation, after data are loaded to all the memory cells to the reset group of a mirror component, the condition of these mirror components answers and changes to the reset signal on the reset line. It is indicated by/[ of the United States patent application which Texas Instruments, Inc. yields about the "split-reset" data loading method accompanying multiplexing and it of memory, and is incorporated here as refer to the receptacle / 08th ] No. 300/356 "the pixel control circuit for space optical modulators."

[0032] In the example indicated here, memory multiplexing is based on a low (raw) (it is level), and the fan-out of the mirror component from one memory cell is 4. Therefore, the memory cell of 1 low is shared every 4 lows which a mirror component follows. The mirror component of 4 lows which shares a memory cell is a mirror component of 1 "a block." DMD14 which has the mirror component of 480 lows has the block 41 of 120. Each block 41 has 4 lows and they receive data from the low with the same memory cell.

[0033] Each low is connected to one of four reset lines like the typical memory multiplexing configuration. Although only one reset line 42 is shown, four reset lines are shown in drawing 4. The reset line 42 is connected to the reset group containing the 1st low of three whole blocks of DMD14. Therefore, the reset group contains one fourth of the low numbers of all DMD(s)14.

[0034] The data to a reset group are loaded in 1 time slice. While the data to the next reset group are loaded, the 1st reset group's mirror component answers a reset signal, and is turned on and off.

[0035] The reset group who consists of a low which has the block low number more same during data loading of a frame in a detail is loaded by the bit wait in the time slice of a frame period. A "time slice" is a part of frame period, and is a display period over the least significant bit in many cases. Although a time slice is too short and an excessive time slice may not be allowed, generally it is determined by the persistence time of the least significant bit.

[0036] As one example which carries out loading of the data of one frame, and is displayed to up to the memory multiplexing system 20, the 1st reset group's bit n is loaded, then, the 2nd reset group's bit n is loaded, then the 3rd reset group's bit n is loaded, and then the 4th reset group's bit n is loaded. Next, it is continued until the 1st reset group's bit n-1 is loaded, then the 2nd reset group's bit n-1 is loaded and all all reset groups' bit waits are loaded below. Loading of the data to each reset group / bit wait displays front reset group / bit wait data. This example does not necessarily require this, although a bit wait follows the same sequence to each reset group. In fact, in a reset group, various bit wait sequences are advantageous. Thus, all the bit waits [ as opposed to the frame in all DMD lows ] of data are loaded and displayed through those reset groups during each frame period.

[0037] To the memory multiplexing display system of system 20 grade, special loading and the display pattern which optimize image quality are developed. In the example of drawing 3 , it can consider as the following patterns.

the reset group 1, the bit wait sequence a reset group 2, the bit wait sequence b reset group 3, the bit wait sequence c reset group 4, and the bit wait sequence d — said — as carried out, the bit wait of each sequence is changed among reset groups into loading and De Dis playing.

[0038] DMD14 of drawing 3 has the "corresponding" low, and each n-th low of DMD14 is in the same location about each DMD14. Therefore, the 1st low of the data with which the "1" and 1st [ of each DMD14 ] DMD low which were marked is displayed is received. These three lows are corresponding lows. Similarly, each No. 480 low of DMD14 to 480 low images receives the last low of the data displayed. These three No. 480 lows are corresponding lows.

[0039] The association between the DMD lows and block lows of DMD14 is perpendicularly offset among DMD14 like understanding from drawing. That is, each DMD low is associated with a different block low to 1 set of given corresponding lows of DMD14. For example, the 1st low of DMD14-R is associated with the 1st low of block 41-R (1). However, the 1st low of DMD14-G supports the 4th low of block 41-G (1). The 1st low of DMD14-B supports the 3rd low of block 41-B (1).

[0040] the DMD low which a low and said thing [ having carried out ] cohere and is associated to the 1st reset group — 1, 5, and 9 of DMD14-R ... 2, 6 and 10 of 477 lows and DMD14-G, and ... 3, 7 and 11 of 478 lows and DMD14-B, and ... they are 479 lows. Each reset pattern is connected by the same pattern, and the DMD low is connected so that there may be no corresponding DMD low into the same reset group.

[0041] As described above, a display is generated by carrying out loading of the reset group of a mirror component, and resetting him. If a specific reset group is displayed, the associated DMD low does not correspond. for example, the DMD low displayed when the reset group connected to the reset line 42 is displayed — 1, 5 and 9 of DMD14-R, and ... 2, 6 and 10 of 477 lows and DMD14-G, and ... 3, 7 and 11 of 478 lows and DMD14-B, and ... they are 479 lows.

[0042] Since association between a corresponding DMD low and a reset group is non-homogeneity, the data to each color can follow the same pattern. However, since the transition times over each color differ, a transition peak is reduced.

[0043] Although said method of making a corresponding DMD low associated with a different reset group is turned to the level memory multiplexing DMD14, the same concept is applicable to other memory multiplexing configurations. For example, memory multiplexing can be made into a vertical angle. The fan-out of each memory cell is a mirror component which follows 1 set of perpendiculars like [ in level memory multiplexing ]. however, data [ as opposed to / the block low meets the diagonal line and / the block low n ] — a DMD low — the pixel 1 of 1, and a DMD low — the pixel 4 of 2, and a DMD low — the data to the pixel 3 of 3 and the pixel 2 grade of DMD low 4 may be included There is a block low of  $2n-1$  to DMD which has n low. Diagonal memory multiplexing is indicated by the United States patent application 08th incorporated



here / No.300,356 at the detail.

[0044] Drawing 4 shows the 8x8-pixel section of three SLM(s) constituted so that diagonal division reset might be performed according to this invention. There is every four reset line 42 of a to a different reset group. 4 sets of diagonal lows to which SLM14 corresponds are shown. Each matched-pairs angle low of DMD14 is associated with various reset groups.

[0045] The same concept is applied to a system only with two DMD(s). Furthermore, to the single DMD system of system 10 grade, the correspondence between a DMD low and a reset group can be shifted for every color, and can realize the sequential version of the approach of drawing 3. It can be made the business which reconfigures a reset group and contains various SLM lows to each color. Since the integral (eye's integration) of an eye is based on the integral of the energy within a frame period, the artifact can be reduced by distributing an energy level appropriately within a frame period.

[0046] Although this invention has been explained about the specific example, this specification does not have constraint-implications. If it is this contractor, various amelioration of not only other examples but the indicated example will be considered to be understanding with it being easy. Therefore, all amelioration that enters within the limits of the truth of invention shall go into a claim.

[0047] The following terms are further indicated about the above explanation.

(1) Have the memory multiplexing space optical modulator (SLM) of . large number, and the image based on the pixel data showing each color from which SLM differs is displayed. An image is the artifact-reduction approach in the image display system combined in an image plane. This approach The step which identifies the SLM low which identifies said low of SLM which has a low location [ / in said SLM ], and corresponds, each reset group — said every — there is no SLM low which consists of some lows of SLM and moreover corresponds into the same reset group — as — the inside of a reset group — said every — with the step which connects the low of SLM. The step which loads the data which have a certain bit wait of said pixel data to the 1st reset group, The step which displays said data loaded to said 1st reset group, The artifact reduction approach which consists of a step which repeats said loading step and said display step by turns among said reset groups about each reset group and each bit wait of said pixel data.

[0048] (2) The artifact reduction approach in the reset group from whom it is an approach given in . 1st term, and said each low of a corresponding low differs.

[0049] (3) It is the artifact reduction approach enforced so that it may be an approach given in . 1st term and said repeat step may be loaded in various sequence to a reset group with said various bit waits.

[0050] (4) It is the artifact reduction approach which it is an approach given in . 1st term, and said loading step and said display step are carried out within two continuous time slices of a frame period, and is determined by the display time amount over the data with which said time slice has a least significant bit wait substantially.

[0051] (5) It is the artifact reduction approach which is a thing [ as opposed to / are an approach given in . 1st term, and / one / of said the SLM display data / to two colors / the 3rd color in one of said the SLM data ].

[0052] (6) The artifact reduction approach which is an approach given in . 1st term, and is a thing to the color from which said each SLM display data differs.

[0053] (7) It is the artifact reduction approach that it is an approach given in . 1st term, and said SLM is a digital micro mirror device.

[0054] (8) It is the artifact reduction approach that are an approach given in . 1st term, and said corresponding low meets said level low of SLM, and a reset group contains said level low.

[0055] (9) It is the artifact reduction approach that are an approach given in . 1st term, and said corresponding low meets said diagonal low of SLM, and said reset group contains said diagonal low.

[0056] (10) Have . memory multiplexing space optical modulator (SLM), and color FOIRU is minded. It is the artifact reduction approach in an image display system which displays serially the image based on the pixel data showing a different color. This approach The step which

assigns a reset group said low of SLM so that each reset group may consist of said some of lows of SLM, The step which loads the data which have a certain bit wait of said pixel data to the 1st reset group, The step which displays said data loaded to said 1st reset group, The step which repeats said loading step and said display step by turns among said reset groups about each reset group and each bit wait of said pixel data of the 1st color, The artifact reduction approach which assigns and consists of said loading and step which repeats a display step about said pixel data of the 2nd color so that said reset group may contain said various lows of SLM.

[0057] (11) It is the artifact reduction approach enforced so that it may be an approach given in . 10th term and said repeat step may be loaded in various sequence to a reset group with said various bit waits.

[0058] (12) It is the artifact reduction approach which it is an approach given in . 10th term, and said loading step and said display step are carried out within two continuous time slices of a frame period, and is determined by the display time amount over the data with which said time slice has a least significant bit wait substantially.

[0059] (13) It is the artifact reduction approach that are an approach given in . 10th term, and said reset group contains said diagonal-low of SLM.

[0060] (14) It is the artifact reduction approach that are an approach given in . 10th term, and said reset group contains said level low of SLM.

[0061] (15) It is the artifact reduction approach that it is an approach given in . 10th term, and said SLM is a digital micro mirror device.

[0062] (16) It is the display system 10 based on .SLM, and the artifact reduction approach in 20, and the image is based on the data displayed by the bit wait to the level on the strength by which pulse width modulation was carried out. This approach can be used for the single SLM system 10 which generates the image of various colors serially during the multi-SLM system 20 which displays the image of various colors in coincidence, or each frame period. To the multi-SLM system 20, this approach is used for SLM14 which has the "reset group" by whom memory multiplexing was done, and who is loaded to various time amount and displayed. The low to which SLM corresponds is various reset groups and eclipse \*\*\*\*\* with association.

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DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

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[Brief Description of the Drawings]

[Drawing 1] The block diagram of the SLM base display system which gives a color image using one SLM and color FOIRU.

[Drawing 2] The block diagram of the display system based on SLM which gives a color image using much SLM(s).

[Drawing 3] Drawing showing how to reduce the artifact in the system of drawing 2 which has the level memory multiplexing SLM.

[Drawing 4] Drawing showing the approach for SLM by which memory multiplexing is carried out at a vertical angle.

[Description of Notations]

10 20 Color display system based on SLM

11 Signal Interface

12 Processing System

13 Frame Memory

14, 14R, 14-B, 14-G Digital mirror device

15 Light Source

16a, 16b Lens

17 Color FOIRU

18 Projection Lens

19 Screen

26a, 26b Condenser lens

27 Color Filter

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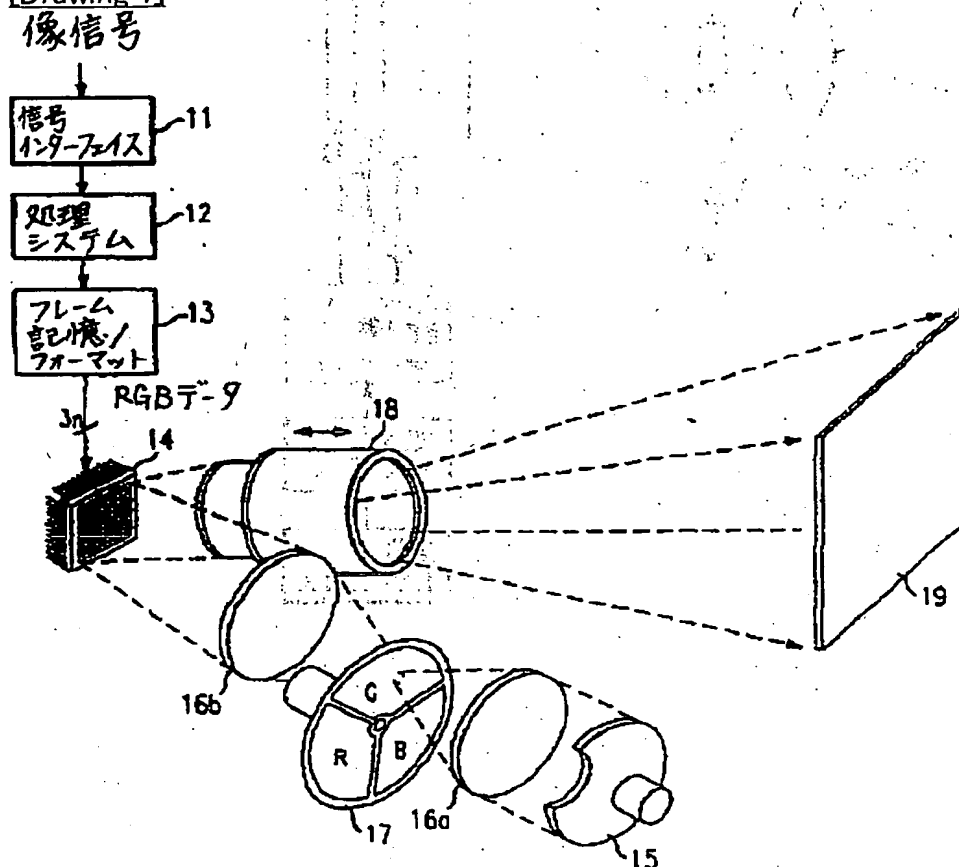
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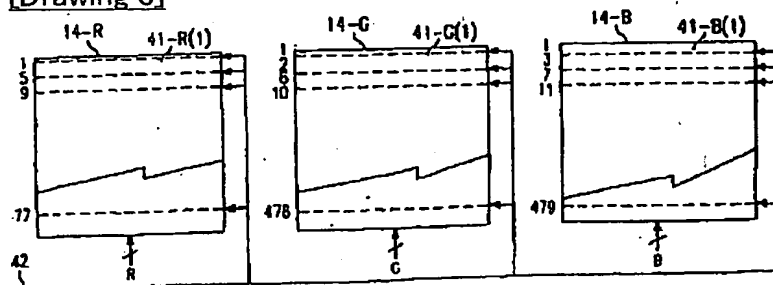
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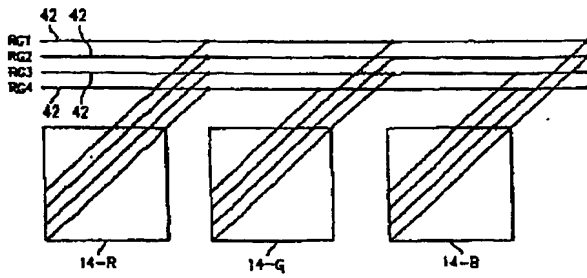
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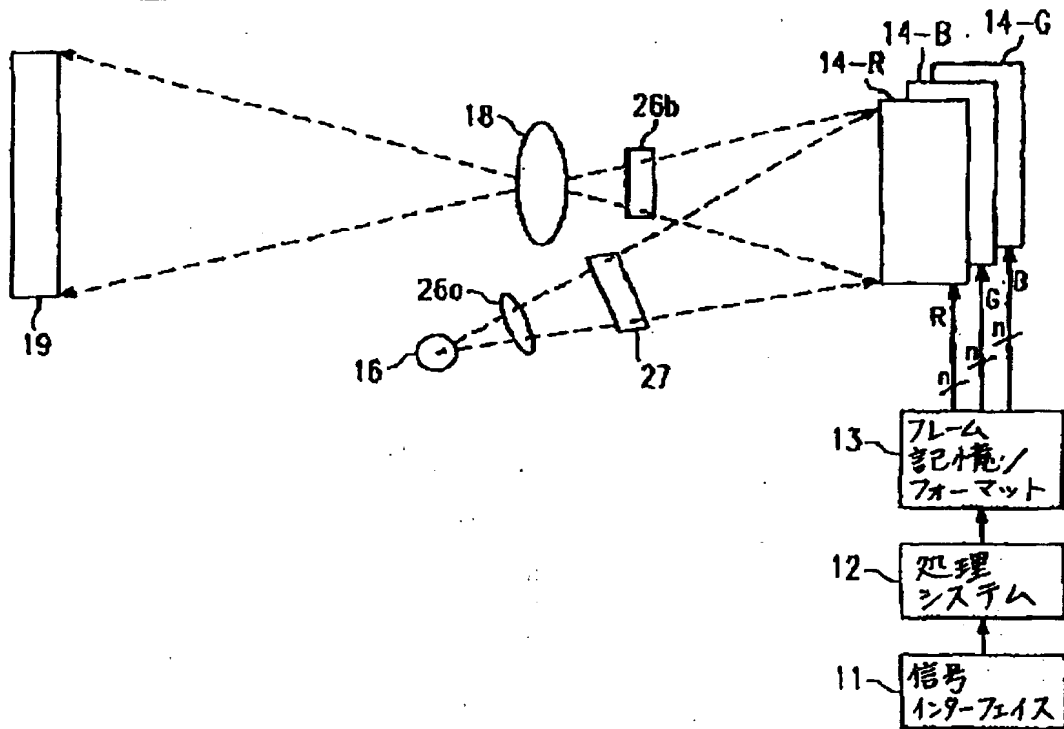
[Drawing 3]



[Drawing 4]



[Drawing 2]



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